

## OPINION 815

*SYNAPTIPHILUS* CANU & CUÉNOT, 1892 (CRUSTACEA, COPEPODA):  
VALIDATED UNDER THE PLENARY POWERS

**RULING.**—(1) Under the plenary powers the generic name *Colaceutes* Hartmann, 1856, is hereby suppressed for the purposes of the Law of Priority but not for those of the Law of Homonymy.

(2) The generic name *Synaptiphilus* Canu & Cuénot, 1892 (gender : masculine), type-species, by monotypy, *Synaptiphilus luteus* Canu & Cuénot, 1892, is hereby placed on the Official List of Generic Names in Zoology with the Name Number 1758.

(3) The specific name *luteus* Canu & Cuénot, 1892, as published in the binomen *Synaptiphilus luteus* (type-species of *Synaptiphilus* Canu & Cuénot, 1892) is hereby placed on the Official List of Specific Names in Zoology with the Name Number 2199.

(4) The generic name *Colaceutes* Hartmann, 1856, (as suppressed under the plenary powers in (1) above) is hereby placed on the Official Index of Rejected and Invalid Generic Names in Zoology with the Name Number 1908.

## HISTORY OF THE CASE (Z.N.(S.) 1664)

The present case was submitted to the office of the Commission by Dr. Lucien Laubier and Dr. Jan H. Stock in September 1964. The application was sent to the printer on 4 December 1964 and was published on 5 April 1965 in *Bull. zool. Nomencl.* 22 : 58–59. Public Notice of the possible use of the plenary powers in the present case was given in the same part of the *Bulletin* as well as to the other prescribed serial publications (Constitution Art. 12b; *Bull. zool. Nomencl.* 21 : 184) and to one specialist serial. The proposals were supported by Dr. R. U. Gooding (*Bull. zool. Nomencl.* 22 : 296–297).

## DECISION OF THE COMMISSION

On 25 January 1967 the Members of the Commission were invited to vote under the Three-Month Rule on Voting Paper (67)3 either for or against the proposal set out in *Bull. zool. Nomencl.* 22 : 59. At the close of the prescribed voting period on 25 April 1967 the state of the voting was as follows:

Affirmative votes—twenty-one (21), received in the following order: Brinck, Holthuis, China, Mayr, Lemche, Munroe, Boschma, Vokes, Jaczewski, Tortonese, Uchida, Sabrosky, Bonnet, Obruchev, Binder, Evans, Mertens, Kraus, Stoll, Forest, Alvarado.

Negative votes—one (1): Ride.

Voting Papers not returned—two (2): Hubbs, Simpson.

Prof. do Amaral returned a late affirmative vote.

In returning his negative vote Dr. Ride made the following comment: "There is no doubt in the minds of either the applicants or Dr. Gooding that *Colaceutes* and *Synaptiphilus* are subjective synonyms and neither expect the rediscovery of *C. muelleri* to cause subjective separation of the two generic taxa. I do not agree that instability or confusion will result from this straightforward

replacement through synonymy. This is an obscure group of animals which has a literature (according to the applicants) of 14 papers and of these 6 are by one of the applicants or his co-worker; in the last 50 years, 3 papers have been published by other authors and of these one has used *Colaceutes*."

#### ORIGINAL REFERENCES

The following are the original references for names placed on the Official Lists and Index by the Ruling given in the present Opinion:

*Colaceutes* Hartmann, 1856, *Dissertatio inauguralis hist. nat. Univ. Frédéric-Guillaume* (ed. Fr. Guil. Nietack)

*luteus*, *Synaptiphilus*, Canu & Cuénot, 1892, in Cuénot, *Rev. Biol. Nord. France* 5 : 19, 21-22

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#### CERTIFICATE

We certify that the votes cast on Voting Paper (67)3 were cast as set out above, that the proposal contained in that Voting Paper has been duly adopted under the plenary powers, and that the decision so taken, being the decision of the International Commission, is truly recorded in the present Opinion No. 815.

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